



**Sustainable Arlington
an Envision Arlington environment committee**

Meeting Agenda

Date: Wednesday, April 24, 2019

Time: 7:30 – 9:00 pm

**Location: Town Hall Annex, 1st Floor Conference Room,
730 Massachusetts Ave., Arlington, MA**

In Attendance:

Amos Meeks
Sarah Hill
Scott Samenfeld
Deanne Dupont
Jeff Kerns
Monique Ou
Kelly Lynema
Ezekiel Wheeler
Jill Manca
Tom Ehbrecht
Roger Rosen
Ken Garden

1. Introductions
2. Approve minutes
 - a. Meeting unanimously approved
3. Meet the Installer Event Debrief
 - i. Will be video on ACMi
 - ii. Estimate ~100 people
 - iii. Can find info and sign up at www.heatsmartaw.com
4. True Story Theater Collaboration, discuss dates and shows
5. \$200 towards True Story Theater Collaboration
 - a. Unanimously approved
6. May Fixit Clinic Collaboration with Sustainable Belmont
7. Community Choice Aggregation Renegotiation Update
 - a. Current CCA rate is 5% above state rate, which is 14% currently and increases 2% per year. Goal is to raise the default rate as high as we can.
 - b. Adam and Ken are on board, will need some support from the community. Petitioning, having events, education, etc.

- c. Tom knows some people who worked on Newton campaign, they can talk to us. They talked to town, then got petition with several thousand signatures. Then talked to their city council and got them to sign a letter of intent, and those who refused to sign they had meetings in their precinct.
 - d. Arlington High School is big ask currently, perhaps we should wait until that finishes before pushing this to the public. Vote in June.
 - e. We can start doing leg work around writing petition and talking to select board etc.
 - f. Can we get data on default rate across all communities.
- 8. MOF Mother's Day Campaign
 - a. Postcard campaign to Ask Gov. baker to deny the permit for the Weymouth compressor station.
 - b. Declare a moratorium on fossil fuel infrastructure
 - c. Stop accepting donations from fossil fuel industry lobby
- 9. Environmental Group Outreach and Collaboration
 - a. Met last week with a few people from SA, MOF, and interfaith climate dinner. Trying to build relationships and connections. Long-term project.
 - b. Probably another climate change dinner in May. Get people there to opt up to 100% renewables.
 - c. Another meeting around Friday May 10th, try to get more groups involved.
- 10. New business
- 11. Announcements
 - a. Arlington Eco-Week is this week! Learn more:
<https://www.arlingtonma.gov/home/showdocument?id=46316>
 - b. April 27th Local Environmental Action Conference, we sponsored and have two free tickets
 - c. Sustainable Belmont Fixit Clinic May 25th
 - d. "Making Sense of Climate Change" 7pm Wednesday May 1st Dr. Benjamin Brown-Steiner at the high school, \$15.
- 12. Adjourn